

machines, and so we can't be flawless all the time, and frankly I get bored by computer perfect music, it just doesn't do it for me.'

There's actually no real evidence of 'witch stuff' in the songs, or none than a non-witchy like myself can pick up on. Any reason for this?

SHIRIN: 'Mainly because we never had any desire to be a Pagan Band – we're just a band who happen to be Pagans. The witchcraft is relevant in as much as it's part of what makes us who we are, but it was never the reason for us to do music and so I see no point in writing about it continually. I have no problem with people knowing about it, but there's so many things I need to get out through the writing that I would never limit myself to just the one topic.'

FINN: 'Actually "Banish the Chill" is our Beltane song – it came out of one of our regular "we need to find an old traditional song about..." conversations, but it's quicker to write your own...'

On your 'Likes' section on your site, you like so much of the same stuff it's eerie!

SHIRIN: 'Spooky, innit?! Saves on arguments, though...'

And that's Mothburner. Remember the name, explore the shockingly basic site and have a listen to the music. They have something musically others don't, and these days that's rare and important.

MOTHER DEPTH

www.pp.htv.fi/etolvane/md

This never opened for me once despite several visits.

MOTHRA

www1.zzz.or.jp/dgrmgr

Formerly Longdreamdead. Industrial Cold Chaos band from Japan. That's about all I could glean, except that they've played the Bull & Gate!!! Bio, music samples, video film, news, discog or terrible photos.

MOULIN NOIR

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You have to read the bio, which has a hilarious encounter with Swedish A&R

monster among the factual history of this man's long involvement with New Romanticism and the darker, softer side of emotion. A very interesting site, with psychotic gallery.

MUDVAYNE

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Site looked nice but nothing worked.

MULD – MOODY IND

<http://artists.mp3s.com/info/176/muld.html>

MURDER AT THE REGISTRY

<http://134.169.31.96/rs/murder>

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Powerful little buggers who here explain why they have that penchant for noise, because Punk and Goth share roots. Nice the way they leave the bios and history and influences short, but it makes for a pleasing whole. I wonder if I should slag Nova Tekk off again, or whichever bunch actually put out the Hex Files CDs? They had Volume 3 all ready to go, without my involvement, then must have checked the contract again and realised it couldn't be released unless I agreed with it. So they ask, I say no, and... it's released before you know it! Okay, and...relax. Back to the site review, where we find a ludicrously small gallery overrun by mp3's and there's lyrics, which I never read – bit like Spoken Word albums which I never listen to. (If someone came round your house talking like that, you'd throw them out.) Which means, now the results are in, this is a site which is a pleasure to visit. It doesn't tire you out, and it doesn't answer all your questions. Such as... why is this the only site in the world to have the news and links in one shared section?

MURDER OF CROWS

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Goth, with emphasis on enchanting Rock. Decent news, bio, good photos.

PETER MURPHY

www.petermurphy.org/index_k.html

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Good grief – an intro which is actually interesting? Who would have thought that was ever possible, but they've achieved it here. The site is stunning throughout, with everything you could

want, except something like personal tour diary? FANSITES:

www.angelfire.com/music2/petermurphy

www.geocities.com/glampixie/mercyrain.html

www.kiwi-media.com/murphy

MUSLIMGAUZE

www.pretentious.net/Muslimgauze

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This is sad, with the death of Bryn Jones treated beautifully with the tributes from those who knew him best. All related info is included.

MY DYING BRIDE

www.mydyingbride.org

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An excellent and tidy site for the Goth Metal chaps with good profiles and band history, with a decent gallery – particularly the massive live selection – and release rounds-up, well updated news. Also: <http://republika.pl/mydyingbride> <http://sh55k01.jvb.tudelft.nl/html/mydyingb.htm>

MYRIADS

<http://come.to/myriads>

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More Goth than Metal, and looser with the atmosphere, this site is a relaxing place. Big bio is dull, but gallery diverting.

MYSSOURI – DARK ROCK

www.myssouri.com

MYSTERIAN – MOODY GOTH

www.infernalhorde.com/mysterian

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MYSTRAL TIDE

www.mystraltide.com

Ambient and medieval inspired Goth/Darkwave/Industrial solo project based in Japan. Nice site in English, with Japanese and German versions planned. (Also at: http://artists.mp3s.com/artists/141/mystral_tide.html). Bleak imagery really doesn't work on cheery approaches, which leaves the bio/news a touch neutered. Ivan Bullock's solo Darkwave rumblings will impress, and he's planning German and Japanese (being based in Tokyo) versions soon. Imagery isn't his strong point, but there's good detail here.

9XDEAD

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